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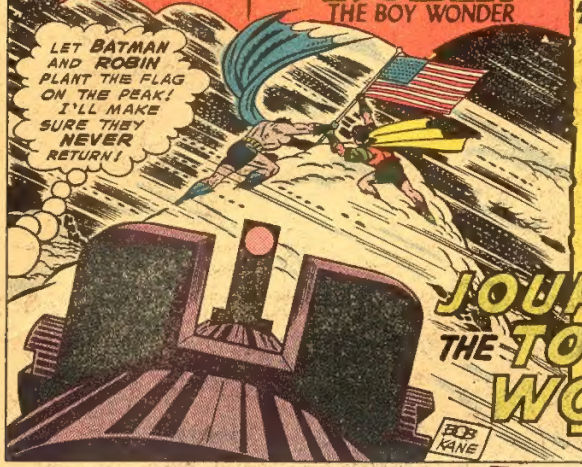
BATMAN

With ROBIN THE BOY WONDER

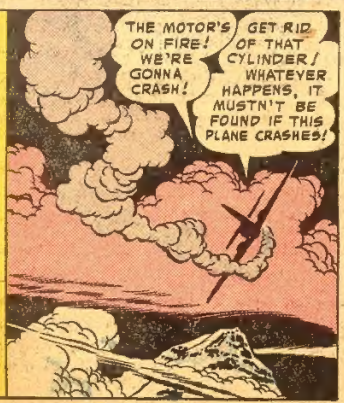


THERE WAS A CYLINDER OF MICROFILM WORTH MORE THAN MILLIONS TO THE UNDERWORLD... BUT IT WAS LOST--ATOP THE MOST DANGEROUS PEAK IN THE WORLD! SO BATMAN AND ROBIN MUST NOW JOIN AN EXPEDITION TO ASCEND THE UNCLIMBABLE MOUNT K-4! BUT THERE ARE COUNTLESS DANGERS ON THIS TRAIL ABOVE THE CLOUDS, AND THE FAMED CRIME-FIGHTERS NEED ALL THEIR SKILL AND WITS TO SURVIVE THE...

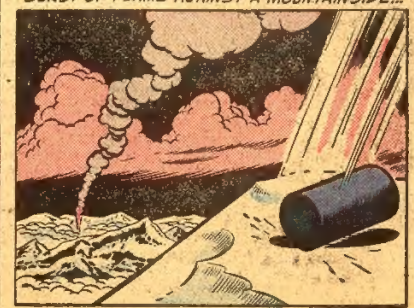
JOURNEY TO THE TOP OF THE WORLD!

BOB KANE

ONE MORNING, HIGH OVER THE HIMALAYAS, AS A SOLITARY PLANE WINGS ITS WAY PAST A MIGHTY STRATOSPHERIC BARRIER OF ROCK KNOWN AS MOUNT K-4...



A TINY BLACK CYLINDER HURTLES OUT OF THE DYING PLANE AND LANDS ON THE HARD-PACKED FROZEN SNOW ATOP K-4! SECONDS LATER, THERE IS A BURST OF FLAME AGAINST A MOUNTAINSIDE...



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SHORTLY AFTERWARD, TWO WORLD-FAMED CRIME-FIGHTERS ARE SUMMONED TO THE F. B. I. OFFICES IN WASHINGTON...

BATMAN AND ROBIN, A PLANE RECENTLY LEFT HONG KONG CARRYING A MICROFILM WITH THE NAMES OF SOME SUPER-CRIMINALS WHO ARE FORMING AN INTERNATIONAL CRIME CARTEL!

WE'VE JUST LEARNED THAT THE PLANE CRASHED IN THE HIMALAYAS! OUR AGENTS REACHED THE WRECKAGE, BUT THEY COULD FIND NO TRACE OF THE MICROFILM! WE'VE BEEN INFORMED THAT THE UNDERWORLD IS SEARCHING FOR IT TOO-- BUT THEY HAVEN'T FOUND IT EITHER!

WHAT DO YOU THINK HAPPENED TO IT?

WE'RE SURE THAT THE CYLINDER WAS JETTISONED SHORTLY BEFORE THE CRASH! THAT WOULD PLACE ITS PROBABLE WHEREABOUTS HERE-- ON THE TOP OF MOUNT K-4!

THE WORLD'S MOST UN-CLIMBABLE PEAK! T-THE PLACE WHERE THE MYSTERY SNOW CREATURE OF LEGEND IS SUPPOSED TO LIVE!

HIMALAYAS

AS IT HAPPENS, THERE'S AN EXPEDITION SETTING OUT TO TRY TO CONQUER K-4! WE'D LIKE YOU TO JOIN IT, BATMAN, AND FIND THAT MISSING CYLINDER!

IT'LL BE SOMETHING LIKE LOOKING FOR A NEEDLE ON THE BIGGEST HAYSTACK IN THE WORLD... BUT WE'LL DO OUR BEST, SIR!

SOON, IN THEIR EVERYDAY IDENTITIES OF BRUCE WAYNE AND HIS YOUNG WARD, DICK GRAYSON...

NOBODY'S EVER SUCCEEDED IN REACHING THE PEAK OF K-4, DICK! A LOT OF MEN HAVE DIED TRYING TO DO IT!

WE'RE SUPPOSED TO BE TWO CRACKERJACK AMERICAN MOUNTAINEERS, BRUCE MARTIN AND DICK GREEN, EH? I HOPE WE CAN LIVE UP TO OUR...UH..., REPUTATIONS!

A FEW DAYS LATER, HALF A WORLD AWAY...

MY NAME IS HANS VERGLAS... I WILL LEAD THE EXPEDITION UP K-4! I'D LIKE YOU TO MEET THE OTHERS WHO ARE GOING ALONG WITH US!

PAUL FRECHET-- THE BEST MOUNTAINEER IN FRANCE!

SIDNEY SMYTHE IS ENGLAND'S RENOWNED CLIMBER!

RAMON NOSOTRO OF BRAZIL--WHO HAS CONQUERED THE HIGHEST PEAKS OF HIS NATIVE SOUTH AMERICA!

That evening, in the room of one of the expedition members...

We will conquer K-4 because we must! But only I shall live to reach the summit! No witnesses can return to tell what lies on the peak of K-4!

Before dawn, the expedition sets out! Higher and higher they climb... until as they mount a couloire*...

Hans Verglas took a chance coming this way! Climbing a gully like this is risky... It's where most rock falls take place, Dick!

Golly, Bruce-- one's starting already!

*couloire: a steep gully on a mountain.

A swift rattling sound deepens, increases... and a bombardment of stones beats down on Bruce and Dick...

Quick! Hold on with one hand, Dick--and take off your knapsack!

Using their knapsacks as shields, they barely survive the dazing barrage of rock...

Whew! The rock fall is stopping!

Why did Hans Verglas take such a risky route? Was this an accident--or has he deliberately trying to get rid of us?

Across the Bergschrund* the tiny party of intrepid climbers makes its way...

This is tricky going, Dick... There's usually a large crevasse here! One false step--and we'll all plunge right through.

*Bergschrund: the crevasse at the head of a glacier.

Later, as they mount a difficult wall of ice...

Ya-aa-aa...

Sydney Smythe! His rope snapped!

Oh, no!

He's gone! Poor fellow... th-there's nothing we can do!

Hmm... this rope isn't frayed through! It's been cut by an ice axe! Guess it's time for Batman and Robin to make an appearance!

DAWN-- AND AS THE EXPEDITION MAKES READY TO RESUME ITS CLIMB...

I'VE GOT A SHARP STONE IN MY SHOE, FELLOWS! YOU GO AHEAD, AND I'LL CATCH UP LATER!

I'LL STICK WITH YOU, BRUCE... YOU MAY NEED FIRST AID!

SOON AFTER...

THESE SNOWMEN REPLICAS OF OURSELVES WILL FOOL ANYBODY WHO LOOKS BACK TO SEE IF WE'RE STILL AROUND!

MEANWHILE, IT'LL GIVE US A CHANCE TO INVESTIGATE THE MURDER OF SYDNEY SMYTHE!

AND AFTER A TORTUROUS DESCENT...

SMYTHE'S BODY MUST HAVE LANDED JUST ABOUT--

BATMAN! SOMEBODY'S SHOOTING AT US!

PING

SWIFTLY, THEY DART FOR SHELTER BENEATH A ROCK OVERHANG...

HE'S GETTING CLOSE, BATMAN! WE'RE PINNED LIKE BUTTERFLIES ON A BOARD!

PING! PING

ONLY ONE WAY OUT--UP THE CLIFF! HMM... THERE'S A PITON* LEFT BEHIND BY THE OTHER CLIMBERS!

*PITON: A STEEL SPIKE USED BY MOUNTAINEERS TO HOLD A CLIMBING ROPE.

NO USE, THOUGH... THE ROPE WON'T REACH IT!

IT JUST MISSED!

THE CAPED CRIME-BUSTER'S INGENUITY COMES QUICKLY INTO PLAY, AS HE PIECES OUT THE ROPE WITH HIS BELT BUCKLE AND A COIL OF WIRE FROM HIS BELT-RADIO KIT...

A FEW MINUTES LATER...

THE ROPE IS JUST LONG ENOUGH NOW! UP WE GO!

WHEW! NOT MUCH TIME TO SPARE! THAT MARKSMAN JUST GOT A BEAD ON OUR HIDING PLACE!

PING

FINALLY, AS THEY GAIN A VANTAGE OF SAFETY...
THE KILLER VANISHED... NO CHANCE OF FINDING HIM AGAIN ON THIS MOUNTAIN!
WE MAY AS WELL REJOIN THE OTHERS. GOSH--NOW WE KNOW FOR SURE THAT ONE OF THEM IS A MURDERER!
LATER, AS NIGHT FALLS...
ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE EXPEDITION ARE PRESENT! WHICH ONE SNEAKED AWAY TO MAKE THAT ATTACK ON US?
I NOTICED SOMETHING THAT WILL INTEREST BATMAN!
AND AT THE FIRST OPPORTUNITY...
I CHECKED EVERYBODY'S EQUIPMENT, BRUCE, AND RAMON NOSOTRO HAS LOST HIS ICE AXE!
HMM... IT MIGHT HAVE HAPPENED WHEN HE CUT THE ROPE THAT SENT SYDNEY SMYTHE PLUNGING TO HIS DEATH! WE'LL HAVE TO KEEP A CAREFUL WATCH ON HIM!
THE THIRD DAY'S CLIMB FINDS THE MOUNTAINEERS GRADUALLY NEARING THE FINAL PEAK OF K-4...
EVERYBODY--WAIT!
WHAT'S WRONG, FRECHET?
LOOK... THOSE QUEER TRACKS IN ZE SNOW! THEY ARE ZE FOOTPRINTS OF ZE MYSTERY SNOW CREATURE!
FANTASTIC! I DON'T BELIEVE IT, FRECHET!
BUT AFTER A SHORT DISCUSSION...
WE ARE GOING TO FOLLOW ZE TRACKS! TO SOLVE ZE MYSTERY OF ZE MYSTERY SNOW CREATURE IS TOO GOOD A CHANCE FOR US TO MISS!
WE'LL PUSH ON... WE WANT TO MAKE THE SUMMIT! TODAY!
AS SOON AS THE OTHERS DEPART, BRUCE AND DICK CHANGE INTO THEIR SPECIALLY HEAT-INSULATED COSTUMES.
DO YOU THINK THE "CREATURE'S" TRACKS WERE PLANTED TO LURE THE OTHERS AWAY FROM TRYING TO MAKE THE PEAK OF K-4?
IT'S POSSIBLE, ROBIN! FRECHET SEEMED AWFULLY ANXIOUS TO FOLLOW THE TRAIL! BUT IF IT'S A TRICK, HE'LL HAVE TO LEAVE THE OTHERS EVENTUALLY--AND HEAD FOR THE SUMMIT ALONE!
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HIGHER AND HIGHER THEY CLIMB, INTO THE THIN AIR, WHERE EVERY MOVEMENT BECOMES A TERRIBLE EXERTION...
LOOK OUT FOR THIS WET SNOW, ROBIN! THE SLIGHTEST DISTURBANCE CAN CAUSE WET SNOW TO SLIDE!
SUDDENLY...
HOLD IT-- THIS IS AS FAR AS YOU GO, BATMAN! ONLY ONE OF US IS GOING TO REACH THE PEAK ALIVE!
GREAT SCOTT! HE'S GOT ME COLD! I--I CAN'T MOVE!
FAR BELOW, DANGLING HELPLESSLY, ROBIN QUICKLY FUMBLES FOR HIS BELT-RADIO...
ONLY ONE SLIM CHANCE TO SAVE BATMAN! IT MAY COST HIS LIFE-- BUT HE'S SURE TO DIE IF I DON'T RISK IT!
ROBIN SHOUTS AS LOUD AS HE CAN INTO THE SENSITIVE MICROPHONE...
BATMAN! LOOK OUT!
AND AS HIS VOICE REVERBERATES THROUGH BATMAN'S BELT RADIO...
BATMAN! LOOK OUT!
WHAT--? THE SOUND WAVES ARE CAUSING AN AVALANCHE!
THE SWIFTLY SLIDING SNOW MASS CARRIES BATMAN OVER THE EDGE OF THE CLIFF, AS...
GOT TO TIME THIS RIGHT-- OR BATMAN IS A GONER!
UHHH! NEARLY PULLED MY ARM OUT OF ITS SOCKET-- BUT I'VE GOT YOU!
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BUT UPON RETURNING TO THE LEDGE WHERE THE MYSTERIOUS KILLER APPEARED...
HE MUST BE HEADING FOR THE SUMMIT! WE'VE GOT TO BEAT HIM THERE!
HE'S GONE!
RISKING DEATH TIME AFTER TIME, THE INTREPID CRIME-FIGHTERS SURGE UPWARD TOWARD DIZZYING HEIGHTS NEVER REACHED BEFORE BY MORTAL MAN!
MOUNTAINEERS CALL THIS CLIMBING "COURT ECHELLE"! WHEN THERE'S NO OTHER HANDHOLD, THEY SIMPLY CLIMB UP OVER EACH OTHER'S BODIES!
AT 27,000 FEET, THEY DON SMALL PORTABLE OXYGEN MASKS, ENABLING THEM TO BREATHE IN THE RAREFIED ATMOSPHERE, THEN RESUME THEIR CLIMB--TILL FINALLY...
THE SUMMIT! WE'LL BE THE FIRST TO PLANT THE FLAG!
HARD FOUGHT MINUTES LATER...
W-WE'D BETTER START DOWN... I--I'M GETTING DIZZY! OXYGEN'S STARTING--TO GIVE--OUT...
THE CYLINDER... I FOUND IT!
ABRUPTLY, A BARKED COMMAND...
I'LL TAKE THAT CYLINDER! THANKS FOR YOUR HELP, BATMAN! YOU WERE LUCKY--BUT NOW YOUR LUCK HAS RUN OUT!
IT DOES APPEAR THAT WAY!
UNSEEN, BATMAN'S DEFT FINGERS SLIP A SHAVING MIRROR OUT OF HIS MOUNTAINEER'S KNAPSACK, AND...
APPEARANCES CAN BE DECEIVING! FOR INSTANCE, LIGHT RAYS REFLECTED FROM SNOW APPEAR TWICE AS DAZZLING IN A MIRROR!
I--I CAN'T SEE!

HIGH ON A LONELY PEAK, TWO MEN STRUGGLE GRIMLY FOR POSSESSION OF A PRICELESS CYLINDER! AND WHEN A MASK SLIPS...

IT--IT'S SYDNEY SMYTHE! YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN KILLED IN THAT FALL!

GASPING FOR BREATH IN THE THIN AIR, THE FIGHTERS ROLL OVER AND OVER UNTIL...

OH, NO! THEY'RE BOTH GOING OVER THE EDGE!

A SNAKE-LIKE COIL OF ROPE WHIZZES OUT TO CATCH BATMAN...

WHEW! NOT A SECOND TOO SOON! SMYTHE'S FINISHED, THOUGH...

LATER, WHEN BATMAN AND ROBIN SWITCH COSTUMES AND REJOIN THE OTHERS...

AND SO WE PLANTED THE FLAG ATOP K-4'S SUMMIT!

FRANKLY, I'M SORRY WE DIDN'T GO ALONG WITH YOU! OUR HUNT FOR THE MYSTERY SNOW CREATURE WAS A FAILURE! THE TRACKS PETERED OUT ON ROCKY GROUND!

NEXT DAY, WHEN THE EXPEDITION RETURNS TO GROUND LEVEL, A STUNNING SURPRISE AWAITS THEM...

GENTLEMEN, I'D LIKE YOU TO MEET THE REAL SYDNEY SMYTHE! HE SHOWED UP TWO DAYS AFTER YOU LEFT HERE!

A FRIGHTFUL MIXUP, WHAT? ON THE WAY TO MEET YOU CHAPS, I WAS ATTACKED, AND MY IDENTIFICATION PAPERS WERE STOLEN! I ARRIVED TOO LATE TO JOIN YOU!

WHEN BRUCE AND DICK ARE ALONE...

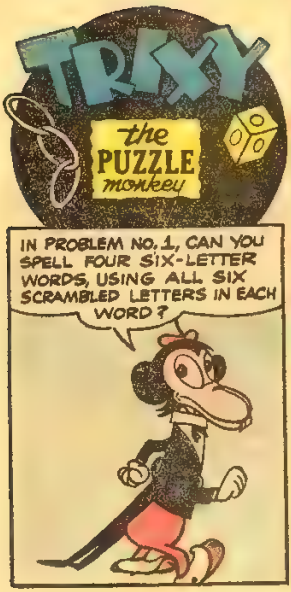
THAT FAKE SYDNEY SMYTHE MUST HAVE BEEN A CRIMINAL HIRED BY THE UNDERWORLD! HE STOLE ANOTHER MAN'S IDENTITY TO JOIN THE EXPEDITION--AND THEN ARRANGED TO BE "KILLED" SO HE COULD OPERATE ALONE TO FIND THE CYLINDER!

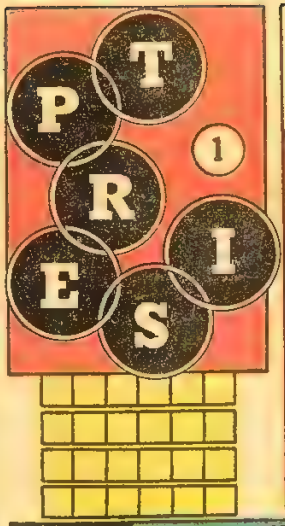
HE MUST HAVE TIMED HIS FALL TO LAND IN A DEEP SNOW BANK WHERE HE WOULDN'T BE HURT! IT WAS A DARING SCHEME, DICK, AND IT NEARLY WORKED!

NATURALLY, WE SUSPECTED EVERYONE EXCEPT HIM! BUT THERE'S ONE MYSTERY WE STILL HAVEN'T SOLVED... DID HE REALLY PLANT THE TRACKS OF THE "SNOW CREATURE"?

HMM... THOSE TRACKS MIGHT HAVE BEEN REAL, AT THAT! PERHAPS SOMEDAY WE'LL GO BACK UP K-4, TO FIND OUT!

THE END.





IF YOU HAD SOME ONE DOLLAR BILLS, TEN TIMES AS MANY TWO DOLLAR BILLS, AND A STACK OF FIVE DOLLAR BILLS -- $200 IN ALL -- HOW MANY ONES, TWOS AND FIVES WOULD YOU HAVE?
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STRIPE - PREST - SPRITE - RIPEST
FIVE ONES, FIFTY TWOS, AND NINETEEN FIVES.

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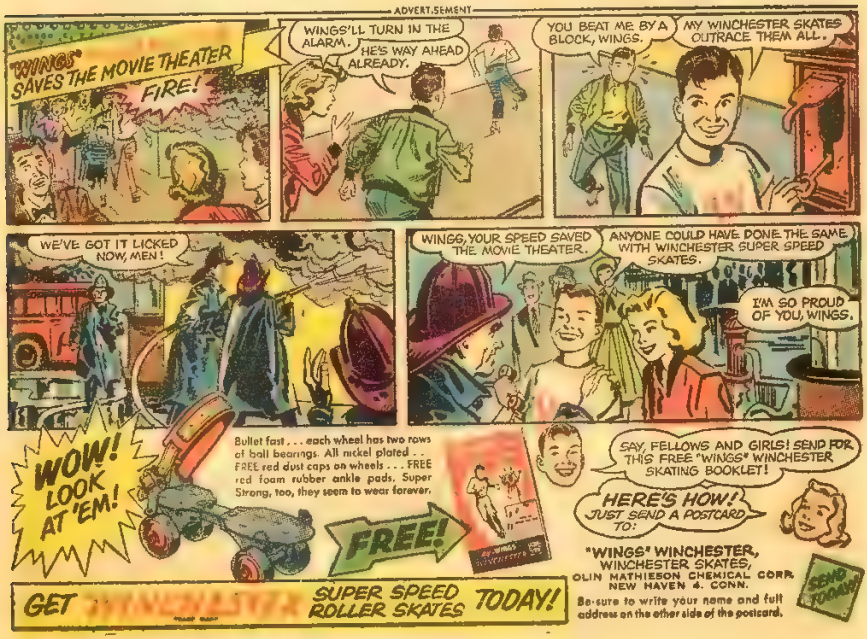
"WINGS" SAVES THE MOVIE THEATER FIRE!
WINGS'LL TURN IN THE ALARM. HE'S WAY AHEAD ALREADY.
YOU BEAT ME BY A BLOCK, WINGS.
MY WINCHESTER SKATES OUTRACE THEM ALL.
WE'VE GOT IT LICKED NOW, MEN!
WINGS, YOUR SPEED SAVED THE MOVIE THEATER.
ANYONE COULD HAVE DONE THE SAME WITH WINCHESTER SUPER SPEED SKATES.
I'M SO PROUD OF YOU, WINGS.
WOW! LOOK AT 'EM!
Bullet fast . . . each wheel has two rows of ball bearings. All nickel plated . . . FREE red dust caps on wheels . . . FREE red foam rubber ankle pads. Super Strong, too, they seem to wear forever.
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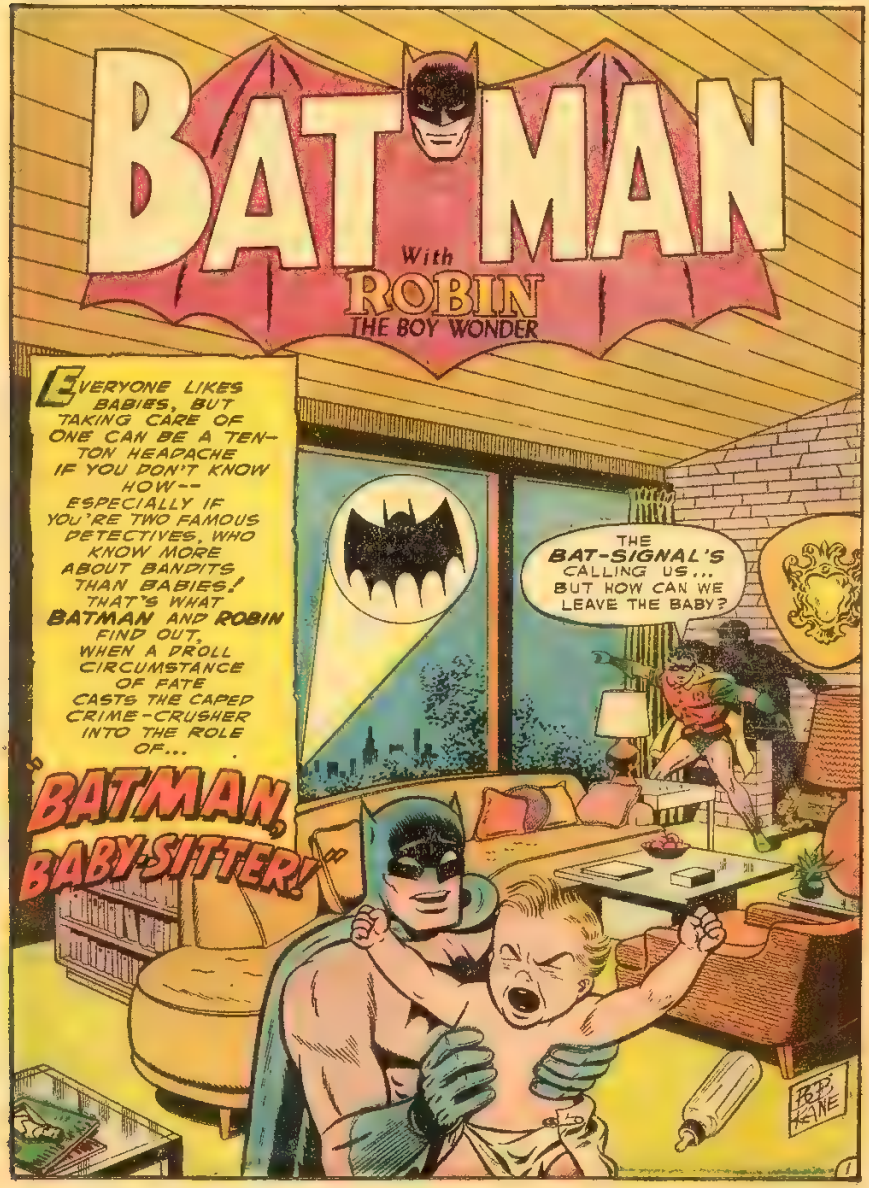
SEND TODAY!
GET WINCHESTER SUPER SPEED ROLLER SKATES TODAY!


BAT MAN
With
ROBIN
THE BOY WONDER
EVERYONE LIKES BABIES, BUT TAKING CARE OF ONE CAN BE A TEN-TON HEADACHE IF YOU DON'T KNOW HOW--
ESPECIALLY IF YOU'RE TWO FAMOUS DETECTIVES, WHO KNOW MORE ABOUT BANDITS THAN BABIES! THAT'S WHAT BATMAN AND ROBIN FIND OUT, WHEN A DROLL CIRCUMSTANCE OF FATE CASTS THE CAPED CRIME-CRUSHER INTO THE ROLE OF...
"BATMAN, BABY-SITTER!"
THE BAT-SIGNAL'S CALLING US... BUT HOW CAN WE LEAVE THE BABY?
BOB KANE
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WHEN CRIME STRIKES IN THE NIGHT, TWO GRIM GUARDIANS OF THE LAW ARE QUICK TO STRIKE BACK...
I FIGURED WE'D FIND THE DRUG COMPANY BURGLARS HIDING IN HERE!
BATMAN! WE GIVE UP!
AFTER DELIVERING THE CROOKS TO THE POLICE, A HUNGRY BATMAN AND ROBIN SPEED HOMEWARD...
I HOPE ALFRED HAS A GOOD DINNER PREPARED FOR US! I'M STARVED!
SO AM I... AND WE'VE STILL GOT A LOT OF PATROLING TO DO TONIGHT!
RETURNING TO THEIR SECRET BAT-CAVE, THE TWO LAWMEN SWITCH FROM THEIR COLORFUL COSTUMES...
...TO THE EVERYDAY GARMENTS OF BRUCE WAYNE AND HIS YOUNG WARD, DICK GRAYSON!
BUT A SURPRISE AWAITS THEM UPSTAIRS IN THE WAYNE MANSION...
WHY-- WHAT ON EARTH ARE YOU DOING HERE, COUSIN JANE?
SORRY TO BARGE IN ON YOU THIS WAY, COUSIN BRUCE, BUT I'M LEAVING ON THE MIDNIGHT PLANE, AND I WANT YOU TO KEEP THE BABY!
MY HUSBAND IS ILL IN THE TROPICS, WHERE HE'S ON AN ENGINEERING ASSIGNMENT! NATURALLY I CAN'T TAKE JUNIOR TO THAT DANGEROUS PLACE, SO I'VE DECIDED TO LET YOU AND YOUR BUTLER, ALFRED, CARE FOR HIM!
WHY-- ER-- I'D LOVE TO HELP YOU OUT, BUT...
SHE'S GONE-- AND LEFT US WITH THE BABY!
I DON'T KNOW HOW TO CARE FOR A BABY! HERE, ALFRED-- YOU TAKE CARE OF HIM!
BUT, MASTER BRUCE... I'M NOT A BABY EXPERT EITHER!
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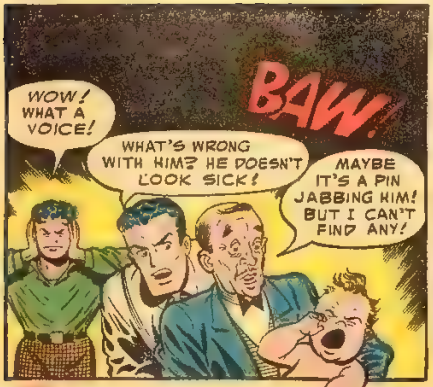
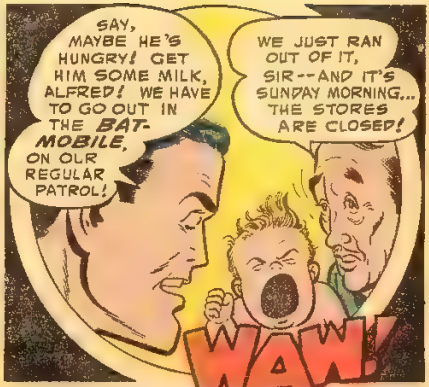
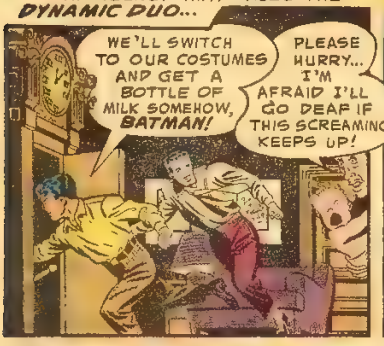
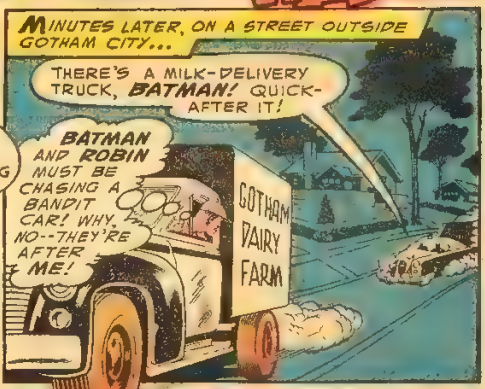
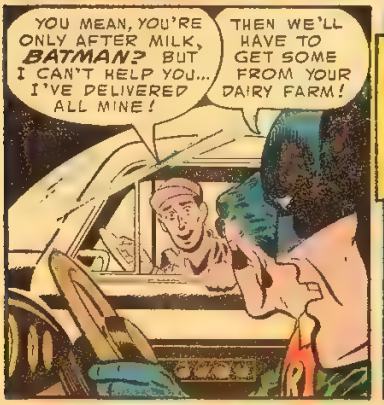


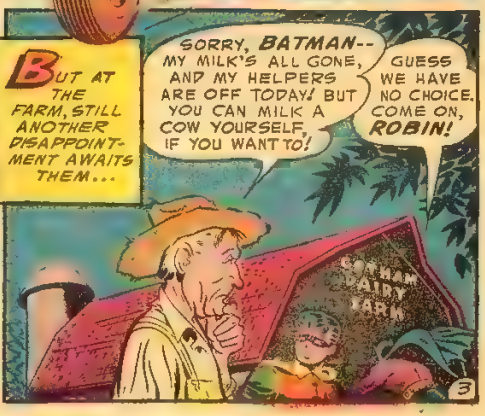

SAY, MAYBE HE'S HUNGRY! GET HIM SOME MILK, ALFRED! WE HAVE TO GO OUT IN THE BAT-MOBILE, ON OUR REGULAR PATROL!
WE JUST RAN OUT OF IT, SIR--AND IT'S SUNDAY MORNING... THE STORES ARE CLOSED!
WAW!

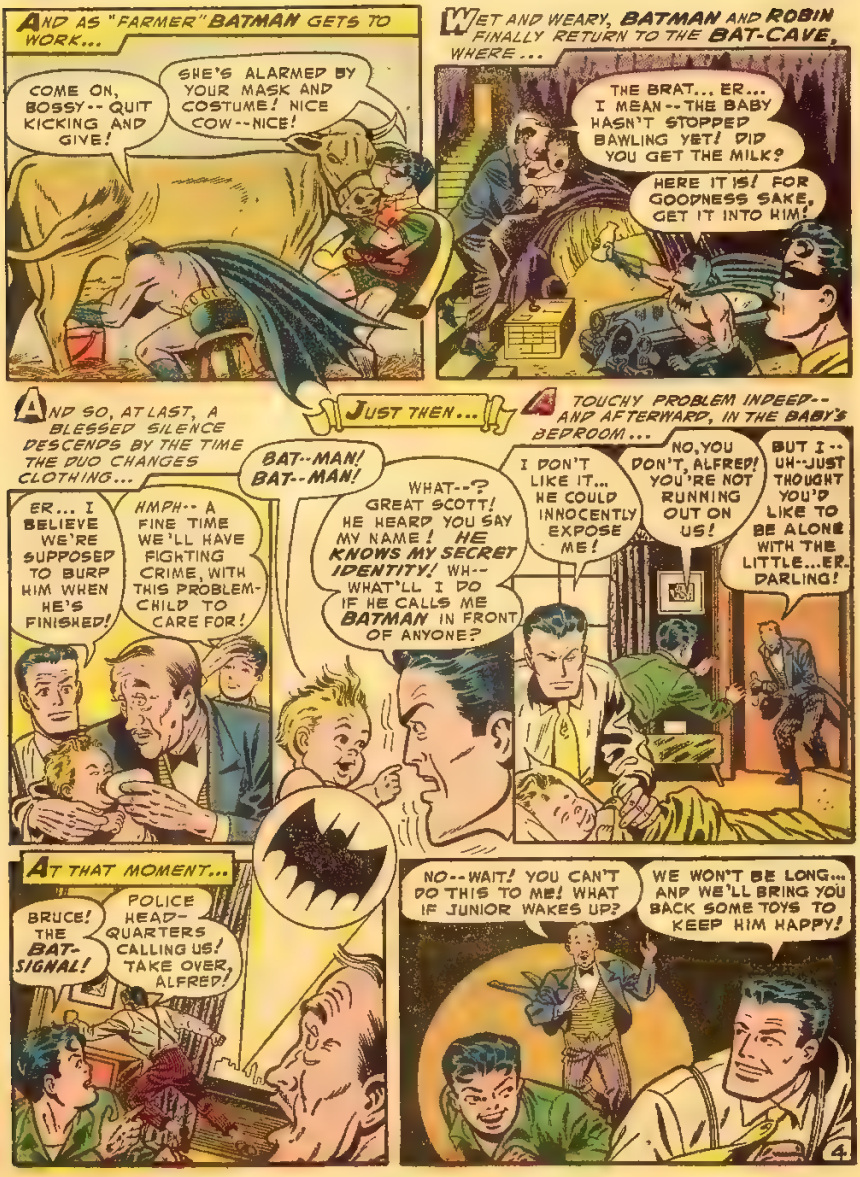
So it's a new type of emergency that faces the DYNAMIC DUO...


WE'LL SWITCH TO OUR COSTUMES AND GET A BOTTLE OF MILK SOMEHOW, BATMAN!
PLEASE HURRY... I'M AFRAID I'LL GO DEAF IF THIS SCREAMING KEEPS UP!


MINUTES LATER, ON A STREET OUTSIDE GOTHAM CITY...
THERE'S A MILK-DELIVERY TRUCK, BATMAN! QUICK--AFTER IT!
BATMAN AND ROBIN MUST BE CHASING A BANDIT CAR! WHY, NO--THEY'RE AFTER ME!
GOTHAM DAIRY FARM


YOU MEAN, YOU'RE ONLY AFTER MILK, BATMAN? BUT I CAN'T HELP YOU... I'VE DELIVERED ALL MINE!
THEN WE'LL HAVE TO GET SOME FROM YOUR DAIRY FARM!


BUT AT THE FARM, STILL ANOTHER DISAPPOINT-MENT AWAITS THEM...
SORRY, BATMAN-- MY MILK'S ALL GONE, AND MY HELPERS ARE OFF TODAY! BUT YOU CAN MILK A COW YOURSELF, IF YOU WANT TO!
GUESS WE HAVE NO CHOICE. COME ON, ROBIN!
GOTHAM DAIRY FARM


AND AS "FARMER" BATMAN GETS TO WORK...
COME ON, BOSSY-- QUIT KICKING AND GIVE!
SHE'S ALARMED BY YOUR MASK AND COSTUME! NICE COW--NICE!
WET AND WEARY, BATMAN AND ROBIN FINALLY RETURN TO THE BAT-CAVE, WHERE...
THE BRAT... ER... I MEAN--THE BABY HASN'T STOPPED BAWLING YET! DID YOU GET THE MILK?
HERE IT IS! FOR GOODNESS SAKE, GET IT INTO HIM!
AND SO, AT LAST, A BLESSED SILENCE DESCENDS BY THE TIME THE DUO CHANGES CLOTHING...
ER... I BELIEVE WE'RE SUPPOSED TO BURP HIM WHEN HE'S FINISHED!
HMPH-- A FINE TIME WE'LL HAVE FIGHTING CRIME, WITH THIS PROBLEM-CHILD TO CARE FOR!
JUST THEN...
BAT--MAN! BAT--MAN!
WHAT--? GREAT SCOTT! HE HEARD YOU SAY MY NAME! HE KNOWS MY SECRET IDENTITY! WH-- WHAT'LL I DO IF HE CALLS ME BATMAN IN FRONT OF ANYONE?
TOUCHY PROBLEM INDEED-- AND AFTERWARD, IN THE BABY'S BEDROOM...
I DON'T LIKE IT... HE COULD INNOCENTLY EXPOSE ME!
NO, YOU DON'T, ALFRED! YOU'RE NOT RUNNING OUT ON US!
BUT I-- UH--JUST THOUGHT YOU'D LIKE TO BE ALONE WITH THE LITTLE...ER. DARLING!
AT THAT MOMENT...
BRUCE! THE BAT-SIGNAL!
POLICE HEAD-QUARTERS CALLING US! TAKE OVER, ALFRED!
NO--WAIT! YOU CAN'T DO THIS TO ME! WHAT IF JUNIOR WAKES UP?
WE WON'T BE LONG... AND WE'LL BRING YOU BACK SOME TOYS TO KEEP HIM HAPPY!
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WITHIN SECONDS, THE GRIM BAT-PLANE SOARS FORTH FROM ITS SECRET HANGAR BENEATH THE WAYNE MANSION...

ACCORDING TO THE POLICE RADIO, BANDITS HAVE RAIDED THE EASTERN DIAMOND COMPANY AND ARE ESCAPING BY HELICOPTER!

WE SHOULD SPOT THEM SOON ENOUGH!

BUT CUNNING CROOKS HAVE PREPARED FOR THIS EMERGENCY...

BATMAN! THEY'VE GOT A BIG BOMB TIED UNDER THE 'COPTER! IF IT'S FORCED DOWN, IT'LL EXPLODE!

SMART...THEY KNOW WE WON'T RISK THE LIVES OF INNOCENT PEOPLE BELOW!

AND A SHORT WHILE LATER...

THERE'S THE HELICOPTER, NOW, BATMAN!

WE'LL FORCE IT DOWN!

WHILE INSIDE THE HELICOPTER...

HAW, HAW... WE GOT BATMAN STYMIED!

YEAH... ALL WE GOTTA DO IS PARACHUTE OUT AT THE RIGHT TIME-- AND LEAVE THIS PLANE TO CRASH ANYWHERE!

AND IN THE PURSUING BAT-PLANE...

WE MUST AVERT THAT BOMB DANGER! I'LL GET ATOP THE BAT-PLANE, AND YOU BRING ME RIGHT UNDER THE HELICOPTER!

I DON'T LIKE IT, BATMAN, BUT-- ALL RIGHT!

MOMENTS LATER, IN MID-AIR, A SUPREME ACROBAT PERFORMS HIS MOST DARING FEAT...

MADE IT!... AND THEY DIDN'T EVEN SEE ME! MUSTN'T HIT THAT BOMB'S DETONATOR, THOUGH, OR WE'LL ALL BLOW UP!

HA, HA... LOOK AT THE BAT-PLANE! THEY'RE TRYING TO SCARE US, BUT IT WON'T WORK! THIS IS EVEN SMARTER THAN THE RAID WHITEY WILLS PLANNED!
THERE...I'VE REMOVED THE DETONATOR, RENDERING THE BOMB HARMLESS! NOW TO TIE IT UP SO IT WON'T TOUCH THE GROUND ON LANDING... THEN I CAN GO INTO ACTION!
NEXT INSTANT...
NO! IT'S IMPOSSIBLE! HOW COULD HE DO IT?
YOU'LL HAVE A LONG TIME IN JAIL TO FIGURE THAT ONE OUT!
SOON...
NOW WE'LL LAND NICE AND SAFELY AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS AND...
JUNIOR'S AWAKE! FOR GOODNESS SAKE, BRING SOME TOYS OR HE'LL DRIVE ME MAD!
OH, OH--THAT'S ALFRED, CALLING ON THE SECRET RADIO!
MINUTES LATER, OUTSIDE HEADQUARTERS...
NICE GOING, BATMAN! WE'LL TAKE CARE OF THESE CROOKS AND... HEY! WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
TO THIS TOY SHOP! I'VE GOT A REAL EMERGENCY ON MY HANDS!
TOY SHOP
IT'S A FRANTIC ALFRED WHO GREETS THE PAIR WHEN THEY FINALLY RETURN HOME...
QUICK--GIVE HIM A TOY BEFORE HE DRIVES ME CRAZY!
BAW-W-W
ONE OF THESE OUGHT TO APPEAL TO HIM!
BUT WITH EACH TOY THEY TRY...
BABY WANT TRAIN?
BAT-MAN!
BAW!
HE STILL CALLS BRUCE BATMAN, AND THAT'S DANGEROUS!
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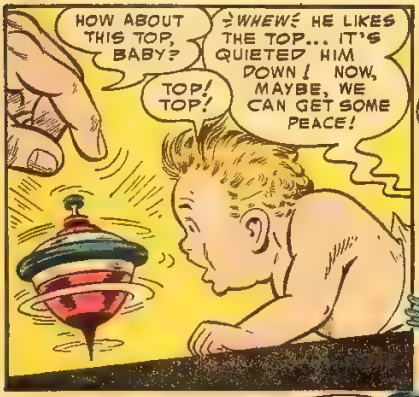
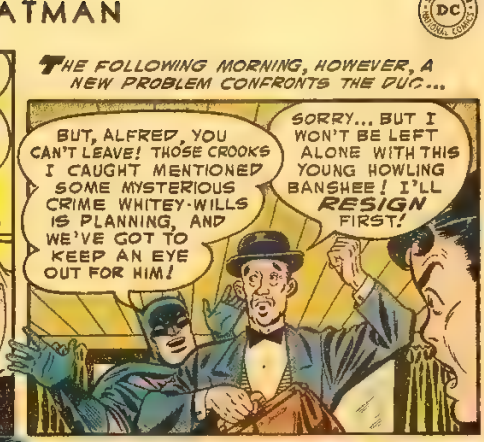
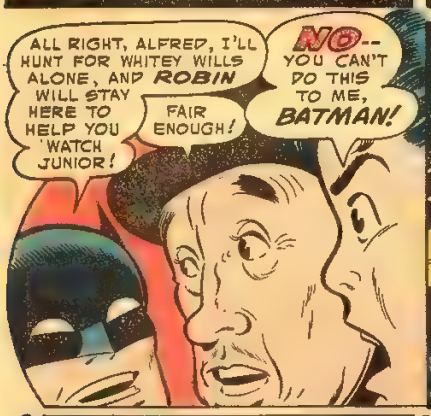
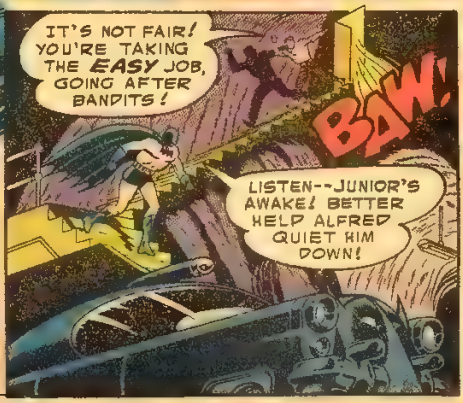
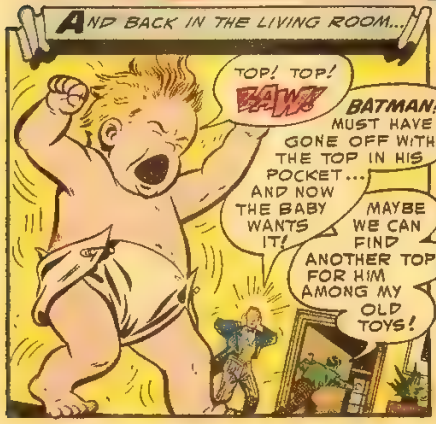
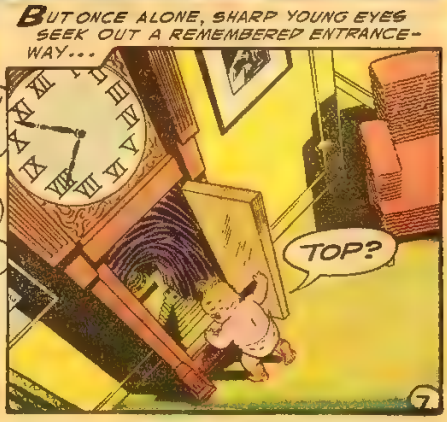

HOW ABOUT THIS TOP, BABY?
TOP! TOP!
WHEW! HE LIKES THE TOP... IT'S QUIETED HIM DOWN! NOW, MAYBE, WE CAN GET SOME PEACE!

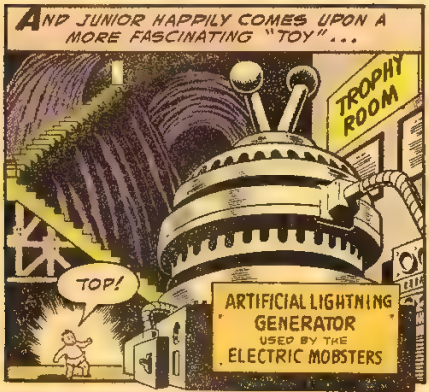

THE FOLLOWING MORNING, HOWEVER, A NEW PROBLEM CONFRONTS THE DUO...
BUT, ALFRED, YOU CAN'T LEAVE! THOSE CROOKS I CAUGHT MENTIONED SOME MYSTERIOUS CRIME WHITEY-WILLS IS PLANNING, AND WE'VE GOT TO KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR HIM!
SORRY... BUT I WON'T BE LEFT ALONE WITH THIS YOUNG HOWLING BANSHEE! I'LL RESIGN FIRST!

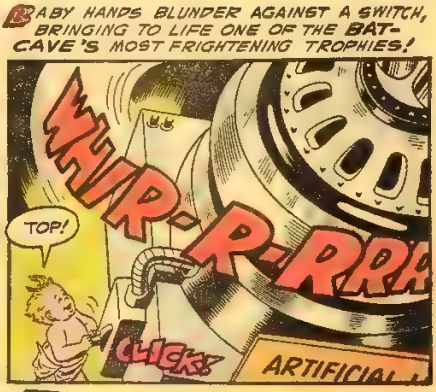

ALL RIGHT, ALFRED, I'LL HUNT FOR WHITEY WILLS ALONE, AND ROBIN WILL STAY HERE TO HELP YOU 'WATCH JUNIOR!
FAIR ENOUGH!
NO-- YOU CAN'T DO THIS TO ME, BATMAN!

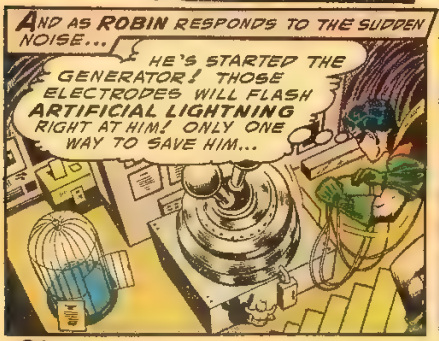

IT'S NOT FAIR! YOU'RE TAKING THE EASY JOB, GOING AFTER BANDITS!
BAW!
LISTEN--JUNIOR'S AWAKE! BETTER HELP ALFRED QUIET HIM DOWN!

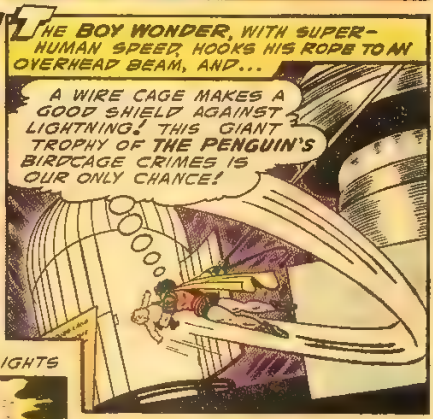

AND BACK IN THE LIVING ROOM...
TOP! TOP!
BAW!
BATMAN! MUST HAVE GONE OFF WITH THE TOP IN HIS POCKET... AND NOW THE BABY WANTS IT!
MAYBE WE CAN FIND ANOTHER TOP FOR HIM AMONG MY OLD TOYS!

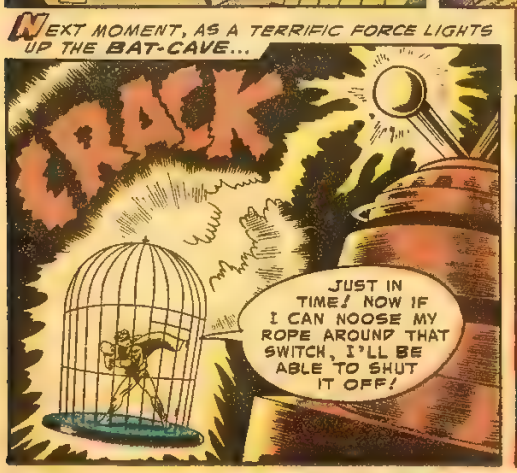

BUT ONCE ALONE, SHARP YOUNG EYES SEEK OUT A REMEMBERED ENTRANCE-WAY...
TOP?

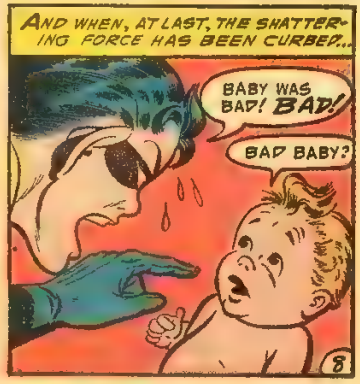

AND JUNIOR HAPPILY COMES UPON A MORE FASCINATING "TOY"...
TROPHY ROOM
TOP!
ARTIFICIAL LIGHTNING GENERATOR USED BY THE ELECTRIC MOBSTERS


BABY HANDS BLUNDER AGAINST A SWITCH, BRINGING TO LIFE ONE OF THE BAT-CAVE'S MOST FRIGHTENING TROPHIES!
WHIR-R-RRR
TOP!
CLICK!
ARTIFICIAL


AND AS ROBIN RESPONDS TO THE SUDDEN NOISE...
HE'S STARTED THE GENERATOR! THOSE ELECTRODES WILL FLASH ARTIFICIAL LIGHTNING RIGHT AT HIM! ONLY ONE WAY TO SAVE HIM...


THE BOY WONDER, WITH SUPER-HUMAN SPEED, HOOKS HIS ROPE TO AN OVERHEAD BEAM, AND...
A WIRE CAGE MAKES A GOOD SHIELD AGAINST LIGHTNING! THIS GIANT TROPHY OF THE PENGUIN'S BIRDCAGE CRIMES IS OUR ONLY CHANCE!


NEXT MOMENT, AS A TERRIFIC FORCE LIGHTS UP THE BAT-CAVE...
CRACK
JUST IN TIME! NOW IF I CAN NOOSE MY ROPE AROUND THAT SWITCH, I'LL BE ABLE TO SHUT IT OFF!


AND WHEN, AT LAST, THE SHATTERING FORCE HAS BEEN CURBED...
BABY WAS BAD! BAD!
BAD BABY?

MEANWHILE, WHERE A TENSELY PATROLING BATMAN HAS SPOTTED THE CRIMINALS HE'S AFTER...

ALL THE ARMORED-CAR GUARDS WENT INTO THE BANK, WHICH ISN'T REGULATION! I THOUGHT SO-- ONE OF THEM IS "WHITEY" WILLS! THEY STOLE THAT CAR TO USE FOR A ROBBERY AND GETAWAY!

THEY'VE GOT THE DOORS LOCKED... THERE'S NO WAY I CAN ENTER! MUST STOP THEM SOMEHOW, BEFORE I'M HURLED OFF!

THE SMALL VENTILATOR OPENINGS AROUND THIS VEHICLE... THEY'RE MY ONLY CHANCE! MAYBE I CAN'T GET THROUGH TO THEM-- BUT THIS TREE BRANCH CAN!

CROUCHED ON THE SPEEDING ARMORED CAR, THE CAPED CRIME-CRUSHER TRIES A DARING STRATAGEM...

GREEN TWIGS, TIED WITH CLOTH STRIPS FROM MY COSTUME, MAKE A GOOD LITTLE SMOKE-TORCH! NOW TO PUSH IT DOWN INTO THE VENTILATOR!

SECONDS LATER...

IT WORKED! MY SMOKE-TORCH WASN'T HOT ENOUGH TO SET ANYTHING AFIRE, BUT IT SURE SMOKED YOU OUT!

BATMAN! AND WE CAN'T SEE WELL ENOUGH TO FIGHT!

AND WHEN THE BLEARY-EYED MOBSTERS HAVE BEEN JAILED, AND BATMAN RETURNS HOME...

... AND SINCE I SWUNG ON A ROPE TO SAVE HIM IN THE BAT-CAVE, HE WANTS TO SEE ACROBATIC TRICKS ALL THE TIME-- THOUGH HE SEEMS TIRED OF MY TRICKS NOW!

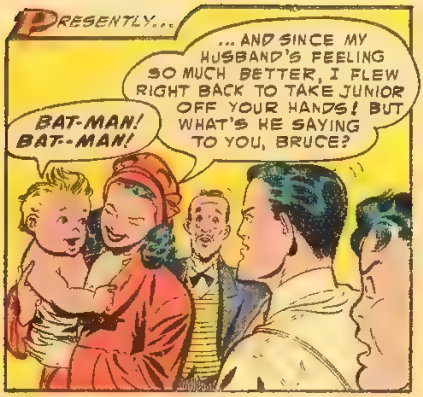
HMM... WE'LL HAVE TO THINK OF SOMETHING MORE ELABORATE TO KEEP HIM QUIET!

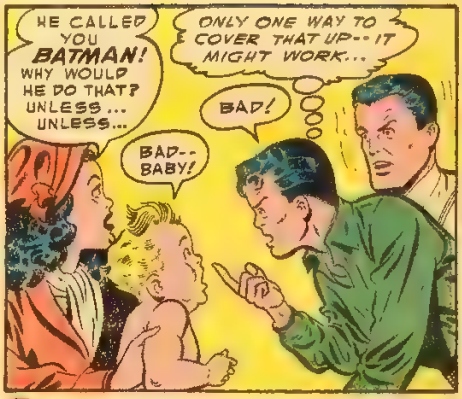
"ELABORATE" IS HARDLY THE WORD FOR THE DUO'S NEXT BIT OF ENTERTAINMENT...

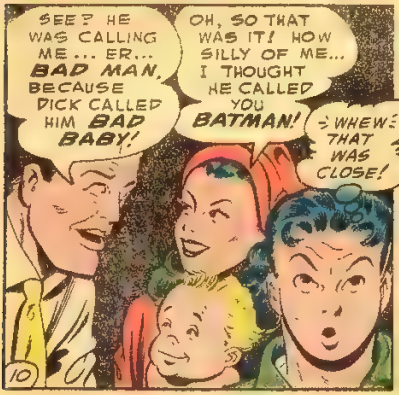
WE'RE NOT HURTING YOU, ALFRED-- AND IT KEEPS JUNIOR QUIET! STOP COMPLAINING!

BUT-- PUFF! HIS MOTHER IS-- PUFF! COMING TO THE FRONT DOOR NOW!

THEN WE'D BETTER SWITCH TO BRUCE AND DICK FAST!


PRESENTLY...
...AND SINCE MY HUSBAND'S FEELING SO MUCH BETTER, I FLEW RIGHT BACK TO TAKE JUNIOR OFF YOUR HANDS! BUT WHAT'S HE SAYING TO YOU, BRUCE?
BAT-MAN! BAT--MAN!




SEE? HE WAS CALLING ME... ER... BAD MAN, BECAUSE DICK CALLED HIM BAD BABY!
OH, SO THAT WAS IT! HOW SILLY OF ME... I THOUGHT HE CALLED YOU BATMAN!
WHEW! THAT WAS CLOSE!
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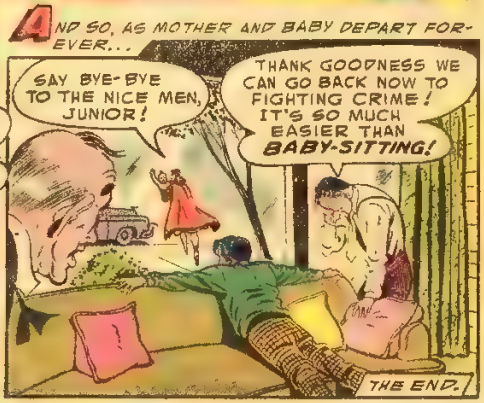
AND SO, AS MOTHER AND BABY DEPART FOR-EVER...
SAY BYE-BYE TO THE NICE MEN, JUNIOR!
THANK GOODNESS WE CAN GO BACK NOW TO FIGHTING CRIME! IT'S SO MUCH EASIER THAN BABY-SITTING!
THE END.

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FEARLESS FOSDICK by Al Capp

(-"I'M PHONIO, THE CRIMINAL HYPNOTIST!!"-) -FOSDICK!!- WE'RE BOTH BIRDS-RIGHT?
RIGHT!!
THEN-CHUCKLE!- FLY SOUTH!!

NOT TILL YOU COMB YOUR MESSY FEATHERS WITH WILDROOT CREAM-OIL AMERICA'S FAVORITE!
SMART GIRLS LOVE IT TOO
WILDROOT

KEEPS HAIR-CHIRP!!- NEAT! REMOVES LOOSE DANDRUFF!! GET WILDROOT CREAM-OIL, CHARLIE!!
BUT THAT WOULD BE ILL-EAGLE!! MY NAME IS BALDY!!
ONLY CREAM-OIL GROOMS AND CONDITIONS HAIR THE NATURAL WAY

Little
PETE
HENRY BOLTINOFF
R-RING
I'LL ANSWER IT, DADDY!
SALE
HELLO!
YES, THIS IS THE NUMBER...
I KNOW THAT!
BANG
WHO WAS IT, PETE?
THAT OPERATOR IS AWFUL DUMB...
SHE TOLD ME IT WAS A LONG DISTANCE FROM WASHINGTON. I KNEW THAT, SO I HUNG UP!
END

THEY SPOT THE PHONEY GEMS

They Are the Stone Sleuths of the Gemological Institute, and Their Job Is To Detect the Duds

NOT long ago, a well-to-do American staying in a Paris hotel opened his door to a midnight visitor. The visitor wasted no time in getting to the point:

"Mr. Smith, I know you, but you do not know me. I was a German citizen until I became an inmate of a concentration camp. At that time I lost all of my possessions except the family jewels. And now I am forced to sell those. For the sake of obtaining American dollars, I will let you have some valuable emeralds at a fraction of their actual value."

Whereupon the visitor opened a secret flap in the toe of his shoe and removed from the hollow five superb emeralds set in a bracelet.

The American examined the emeralds and believed them to be genuine.

"What are you asking for them?" he asked.

"The stones are easily worth $10,000 as you no doubt realize," answered the visitor, "but for the sake of a quick sale, I will let you have them for $5,000."

"They look good, and the price is right. But, there's a jewelry shop down the street. Would you mind if I had the emeralds appraised?"

"Not at all," returned the visitor. "I don't blame you one bit. Let us go."

At the shop, the jeweler examined the gems through his loup and nodded approvingly.

"Beautiful! Worth in the neighborhood of $10,000, I would say."

When the American returned to the United States, he took his purchase to a well-known jeweler for another appraisal. The jeweler examined the emeralds, and said:

"They look genuine. But there's only one way to be absolutely sure—by taking them to the laboratory of the Gemological Institute."

At the lab, the gems were placed inside an odd device in which they were

exposed to ultraviolet light rays. The emeralds took on a brownish-red color.

The Institute technician shook his head. "Bad news, I'm afraid. These emeralds are synthetic. They're remarkable imitations. Genuine emeralds would not turn brownish-red under ultraviolet. They would turn a sort of pastel orange color."

The unhappy owner was aghast. "But I had them appraised. A jeweler said they were genuine!"

"You can hardly blame him," said the jeweler. "As I said, the stones are perfect duplicates of the real thing. And that is why the gem detectives came into existence."

Who are the gem detectives?

Actually, they belong to an organization known as the Gemological Institute of America. With offices in key cities, the Institute, which is controlled by the nation's jewelry industry, has chalked up an amazing record of fake gem detection since its inception back in 1931, thanks to scientific instruments it invented.

A mere 25 years ago, the great majority of jewelers could not place an exact value on a gem. In most cases, fakes could not always be told from genuine stones. All that is different now, because of the gem detectives.

While no one has ever tried to make a synthetic diamond, crooks have often tried to pass as diamonds three other minerals which, to the untrained eye, resemble diamonds: Zircon, synthetic rutile, and synthetic spinel. Even jewelers have been taken in by these sparkling synthetics. One jeweler correctly noted that synthetic rutile sparkles even more than a diamond.

But gem detectives submit doubtful stones to a device called a refractometer, which measures the degree of deflection a beam of light undergoes while passing through a transparent gem. No other stone, real or fake, can slow down the speed of light with exactly the same degree as the diamond—hence, the jeweler can tell in an instant if the diamond is a true one, or false.

Of all the precious stones, most people are fooled by the synthetic sapphires. Not even chemical analysis can detect the difference between real sapphires and synthetics.

The gem forger, who toiled for months to create a perfect synthetic sapphire some months ago, was on the point of selling it to a wealthy industrialist when the Gemological Institute stepped in.

The Institute came up with the startling information that genuine sapphires contain *flaws*, resulting from the gem's growth, while synthetics are unable to duplicate these flaws—and come out too perfect.

By such means, gem detectives have made the jewelry industry a far safer one than it was before.

—Jack Miller

CASEY
THE COP
HENRY BOLTHOFF
HMM... MIGHTY SUSPICIOUS.
WHY WOULD HE BE WALKING IN HIS STOCKING FEET ON TIPTOE AT TWO O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING?
I'D BETTER QUESTION HIM!
WHAT'S THE IDEA OF WALKING TIPTOE WITHOUT YOUR SHOES ON?
I'M BREAKING IN A NEW PAIR OF SHOES, AND THEY SQUEAK TERRIBLY!
HOSPITAL
QUIET
POLICE DEPT.
END.

BATMAN

With ROBIN THE BOY WONDER

FROM OUT OF THE PREHISTORIC AGES, WHEN CAVEMEN AND MIGHTY MAMMOTHS LIVED, THERE COMES TO GOTHAM CITY A RELIC OF STRANGE MYSTERY! AND WHEN THOSE DYNAMIC DETECTIVES, **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN**, GO BACK IN TIME TO SOLVE THAT MYSTERY, THEIR COMRADE IN STRUGGLE TURNS OUT TO BE THAT STONE AGE CRIME-CRUSHER WHO COULD TRULY BE CALLED...

"The CAVEMAN BATMAN"

IT'S **TIGER MAN**, THE "**BATMAN**" OF THIS TIME! WE'VE GOT TO SAVE HIM!

IN A FAR-DISTANT CAVE, DR. WILLIAM SAYRE OF GOTHAM CITY MAKES AN ASTOUNDING ARCHAEOLOGICAL DISCOVERY...

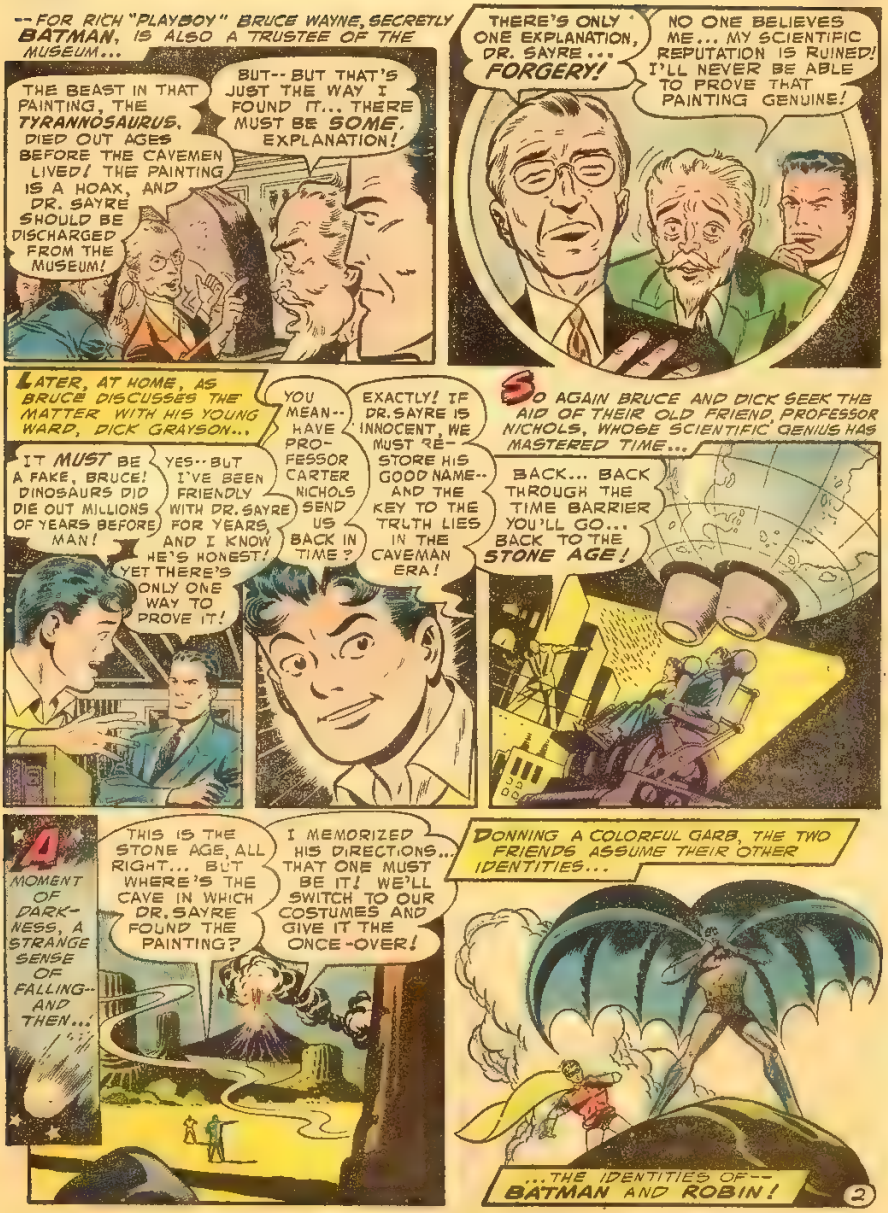
A ROCK PAINTING, DONE BY CAVEMEN! BUT--WHAT IT SHOWS IS AMAZING! I MUST TAKE THIS TO GOTHAM CITY... IT MAY BE THE MOST IMPORTANT HISTORICAL DISCOVERY YET!

SOON, AT THE **GOTHAM MUSEUM**, A CAVE-PAINTING, THOUSANDS OF YEARS OLD, STIRS A PRESENT-DAY CONTROVERSY...

IT SEEMS GENUINE, BUT I CAN'T BELIEVE IT!

IT'S A CLEVER FAKE! DR. SAYRE THOUGHT HE COULD MAKE HIMSELF A GREAT REPUTATION--BUT HE WON'T GET AWAY WITH IT!

AND THIS SCIENTIFIC CONTROVERSY IS DESTINED TO HURL **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN** INTO AN INCREDIBLE ADVENTURE--


--FOR RICH "PLAYBOY" BRUCE WAYNE, SECRETLY BATMAN, IS ALSO A TRUSTEE OF THE MUSEUM...
THE BEAST IN THAT PAINTING, THE TYRANNOSAURUS, DIED OUT AGES BEFORE THE CAVEMEN LIVED! THE PAINTING IS A HOAX, AND DR. SAYRE SHOULD BE DISCHARGED FROM THE MUSEUM!
BUT-- BUT THAT'S JUST THE WAY I FOUND IT... THERE MUST BE SOME EXPLANATION!
THERE'S ONLY ONE EXPLANATION, DR. SAYRE... FORGERY!
NO ONE BELIEVES ME... MY SCIENTIFIC REPUTATION IS RUINED! I'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO PROVE THAT PAINTING GENUINE!
LATER, AT HOME, AS BRUCE DISCUSSES THE MATTER WITH HIS YOUNG WARD, DICK GRAYSON...
IT MUST BE A FAKE, BRUCE! DINOSAURS DID DIE OUT MILLIONS OF YEARS BEFORE MAN!
YES-- BUT I'VE BEEN FRIENDLY WITH DR. SAYRE FOR YEARS, AND I KNOW HE'S HONEST! YET THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO PROVE IT!
YOU MEAN-- HAVE PROFESSOR CARTER NICHOLS SEND US BACK IN TIME?
EXACTLY! IF DR. SAYRE IS INNOCENT, WE MUST RESTORE HIS GOOD NAME-- AND THE KEY TO THE TRUTH LIES IN THE CAVEMAN ERA!
SO AGAIN BRUCE AND DICK SEEK THE AID OF THEIR OLD FRIEND, PROFESSOR NICHOLS, WHOSE SCIENTIFIC GENIUS HAS MASTERED TIME...
BACK... BACK THROUGH THE TIME BARRIER YOU'LL GO... BACK TO THE STONE AGE!
A MOMENT OF DARKNESS, A STRANGE SENSE OF FALLING-- AND THEN...
THIS IS THE STONE AGE, ALL RIGHT... BUT WHERE'S THE CAVE IN WHICH DR. SAYRE FOUND THE PAINTING?
I MEMORIZED HIS DIRECTIONS... THAT ONE MUST BE IT! WE'LL SWITCH TO OUR COSTUMES AND GIVE IT THE ONCE-OVER!
DONNING A COLORFUL GARB, THE TWO FRIENDS ASSUME THEIR OTHER IDENTITIES...
...THE IDENTITIES OF-- BATMAN AND ROBIN!

BUT UPON INSPECTING THE CAVE...
THERE'S NO ROCK-PAINTING HERE AT ALL!
YET THIS MUST BE THE CAVE--THOUGH IT DOESN'T SEEM EXACTLY AS DR. SAYRE DESCRIBED IT! I DON'T UNDERSTAND THIS AT ALL!
PART OF THE ROOF MAY HAVE FALLEN IN LATER, BUT THAT STILL DOESN'T EXPLAIN THE TYRANNOSAURUS!
NO--BUT THERE ARE CAVEMAN VILLAGES ALONG THIS VALLEY! MAYBE THEY KNOW SOMETHING ABOUT THAT MYSTERIOUS BEAST!
INTO THE PREHISTORIC VALLEY GO THE CAPED CRIME-CRUSHERS FROM THE 20th CENTURY--AS AN ANCIENT MENACE THREATENS...
LOOK OUT, BATMAN--A TIGER!
A SABRE-TOOTH TIGER--THREE TIMES AS BIG AS THOSE OF OUR OWN DAYS! WE CAN'T OUTRUN IT! QUICK, ROBIN--YOUR ROPE!
BUT AN EVEN GREATER SURPRISE AWAITS THEM AS THEY LASSO THE "TIGER"...
WHY--IT'S A MAN, DRESSED IN A TIGER SKIN!
YOU HAVE TRAPPED ME--BUT LOOK BACK THERE! UNLESS WE RUN, WE WILL ALL DIE!
MAMMOTH--GIANT ELEPHANTS! THE BURNING GRASS IS STAMPEDING THEM THIS WAY!
UNLESS WE GET UP THE CLIFFS, THEY'LL TRAMPLE US FLAT! HURRY!
BUT THE WILD STAMPEDE OF MONSTERS OF AN ELDER AGE THUNDERS RELENTLESSLY TO TRAP THEM...
HE STUMBLED--AND WE'RE TRAPPED AGAINST THE CLIFF!
AND BORR, MY ENEMY, HAS WON! HE STARTED THIS STAMPEDE!
THERE'S STILL A CHANCE... HELP ME WITH THESE YOUNG TREES!
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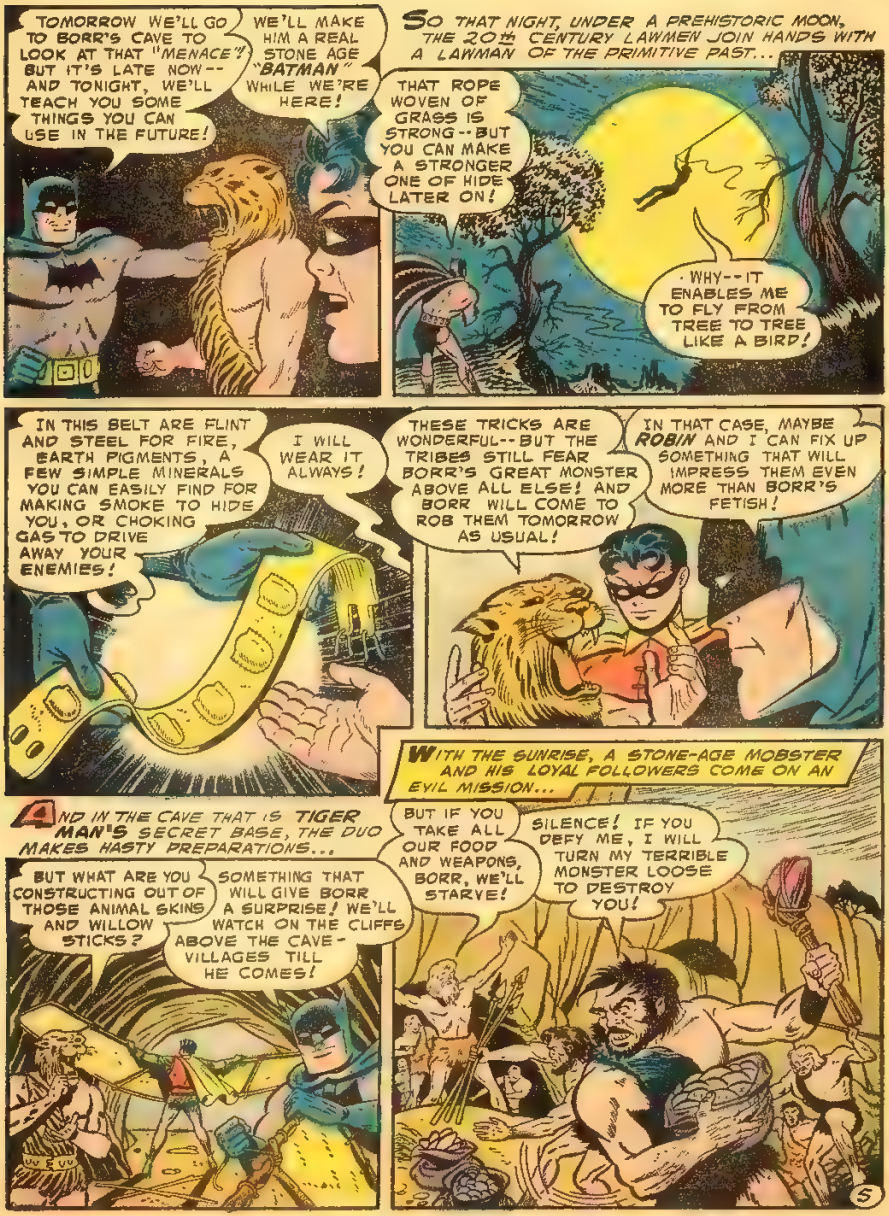
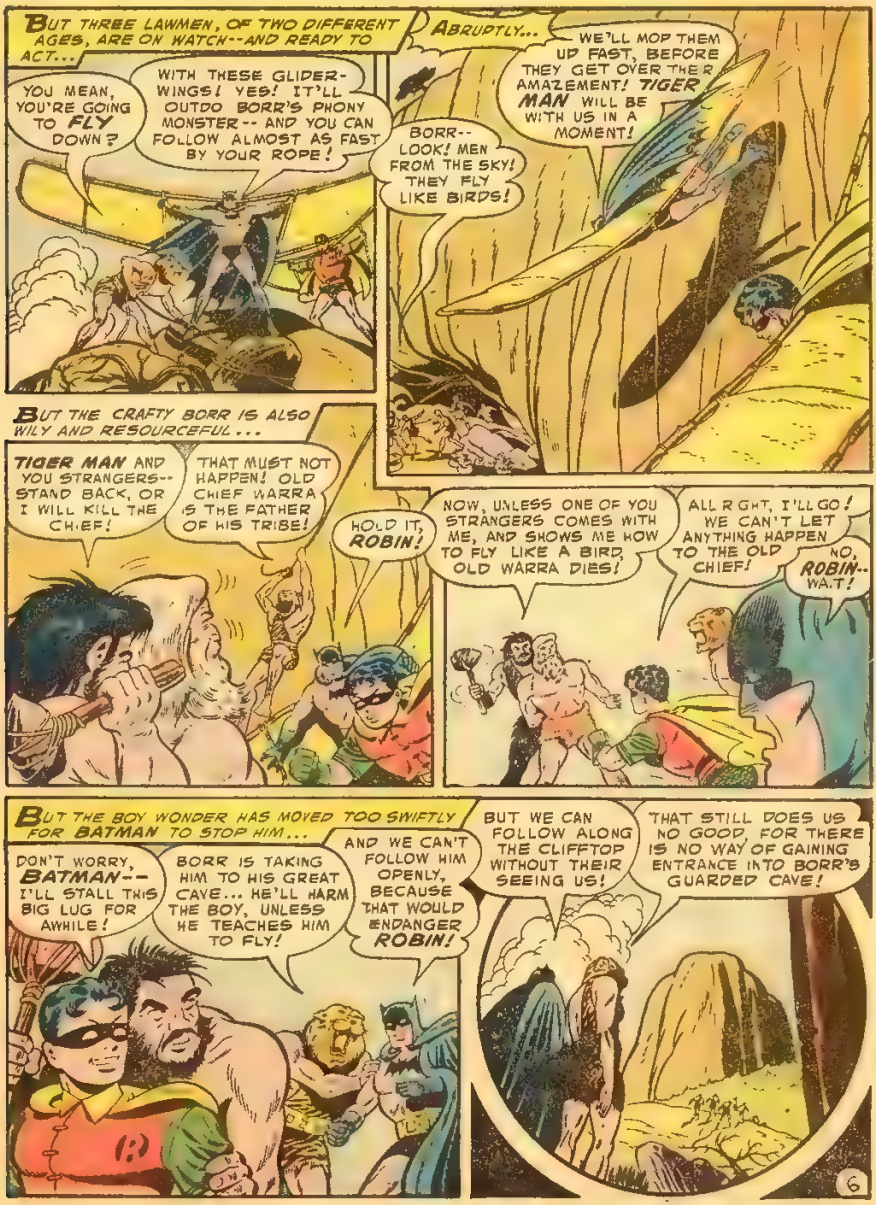
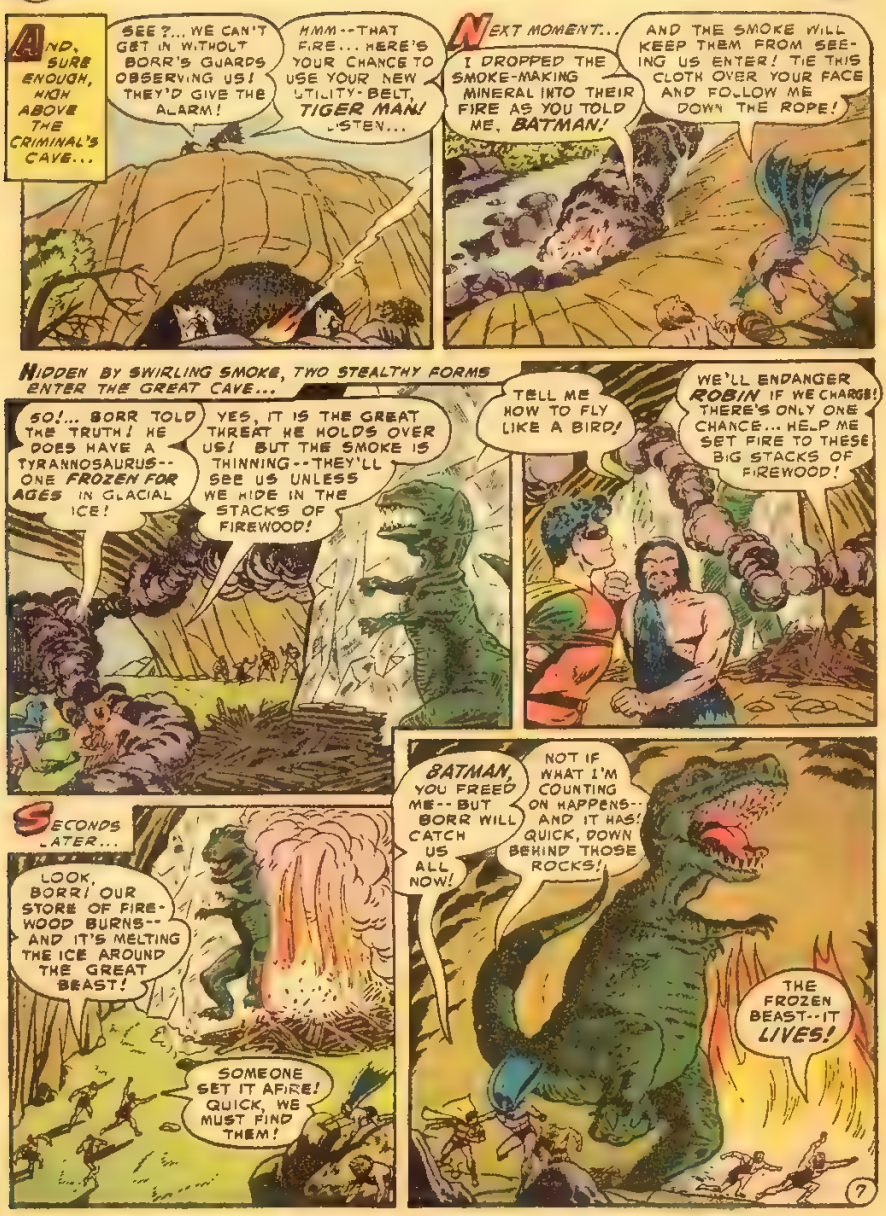
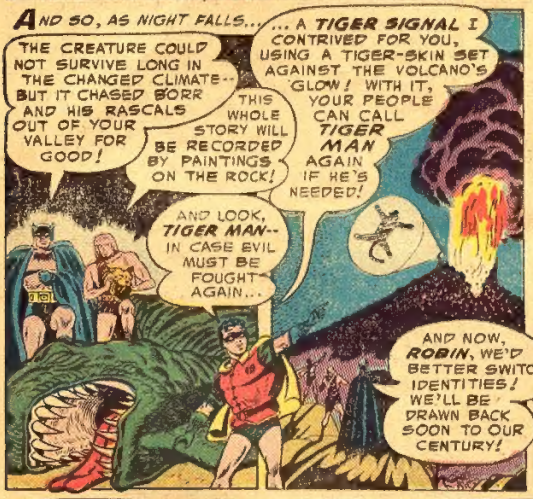
WITH ONLY SECONDS TO SPARE, THE DUO WORKS SWIFTLY...
THAT'S IT... TIE THEM DOWN TIGHT! THEY'LL MAKE PERFECT CATAPULTS!
NEXT INSTANT..
HA!--THIS IS GREAT MAGIC!
MADE IT--JUST IN TIME!
SNAP
AFTERWARD, ATOP THE CLIFF
YOU ARE GREAT WARRIORS AND MAGICIANS... YOU SAVED MY LIFE FROM BORR! MY NAME IS ROG!
AND WE'RE BATMAN AND ROBIN! BUT WHO IS BORR--AND WHY DO YOU WEAR THAT TIGER MASK?
I WEAR IT SO BORR AND HIS EVIL FOLLOWERS WILL NOT KNOW ME! I AM TIGER MAN, AND I FIGHT SECRETLY AGAINST THEIR WICKED OPPRESSIONS!
YOU SAID THAT BORR STARTED THAT MAMMOTH STAMPEDE?
YES, TO KILL ME! THEY OPPRESS AND LOOT ALL OUR CAVE-VILLAGES! THAT IS WHY I BECAME TIGER MAN--TO FIGHT AGAINST THEM!
WHY, THEN, THAT MAKES ROG A PREHISTORIC "BATMAN"!
YES--AND WE CAN HELP HIM BY SHOWING HIM SOME OF OUR OWN TRICKS!
BUT WE'VE A MISSION HERE, TOO! TIGER MAN, HAVE YOU EVER SEEN A PICTURE OF A BEAST LIKE THIS?
I'VE SEEN NO PICTURE, BUT I'VE SEEN THE BEAST ITSELF!
BUT THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE!
WHERE, TIGER MAN? WE MUST SEE IT, TOO!
THE BEAST IS IN BORR'S GREAT CAVE! IT IS THE TERRIBLE MENACE WITH WHICH BORR FRIGHTENS ALL OUR PEOPLE!


TOMORROW WE'LL GO TO BORR'S CAVE TO LOOK AT THAT "MENACE"! BUT IT'S LATE NOW -- AND TONIGHT, WE'LL TEACH YOU SOME THINGS YOU CAN USE IN THE FUTURE!
WE'LL MAKE HIM A REAL STONE AGE "BATMAN" WHILE WE'RE HERE!
SO THAT NIGHT, UNDER A PREHISTORIC MOON, THE 20TH CENTURY LAWMEN JOIN HANDS WITH A LAWMAN OF THE PRIMITIVE PAST...
THAT ROPE WOVEN OF GRASS IS STRONG -- BUT YOU CAN MAKE A STRONGER ONE OF HIDE LATER ON!
WHY -- IT ENABLES ME TO FLY FROM TREE TO TREE LIKE A BIRD!
IN THIS BELT ARE FLINT AND STEEL FOR FIRE, EARTH PIGMENTS, A FEW SIMPLE MINERALS YOU CAN EASILY FIND FOR MAKING SMOKE TO HIDE YOU, OR CHOKING GAS TO DRIVE AWAY YOUR ENEMIES!
I WILL WEAR IT ALWAYS!
THESE TRICKS ARE WONDERFUL -- BUT THE TRIBES STILL FEAR BORR'S GREAT MONSTER ABOVE ALL ELSE! AND BORR WILL COME TO ROB THEM TOMORROW AS USUAL!
IN THAT CASE, MAYBE ROBIN AND I CAN FIX UP SOMETHING THAT WILL IMPRESS THEM EVEN MORE THAN BORR'S FETISH!
AND IN THE CAVE THAT IS TIGER MAN'S SECRET BASE, THE DUO MAKES HASTY PREPARATIONS...
BUT WHAT ARE YOU CONSTRUCTING OUT OF THOSE ANIMAL SKINS AND WILLOW STICKS?
SOMETHING THAT WILL GIVE BORR A SURPRISE! WE'LL WATCH ON THE CLIFFS ABOVE THE CAVE-VILLAGES TILL HE COMES!
WITH THE SUNRISE, A STONE-AGE MOBSTER AND HIS LOYAL FOLLOWERS COME ON AN EVIL MISSION...
BUT IF YOU TAKE ALL OUR FOOD AND WEAPONS, BORR, WE'LL STARVE!
SILENCE! IF YOU DEFY ME, I WILL TURN MY TERRIBLE MONSTER LOOSE TO DESTROY YOU!


BUT THREE LAWMEN, OF TWO DIFFERENT AGES, ARE ON WATCH--AND READY TO ACT...
YOU MEAN, YOU'RE GOING TO FLY DOWN?
WITH THESE GLIDER-WINGS! YES! IT'LL OUTDO BORR'S PHONY MONSTER-- AND YOU CAN FOLLOW ALMOST AS FAST BY YOUR ROPE!
ABRUPTLY...
WE'LL MOP THEM UP FAST, BEFORE THEY GET OVER THEIR AMAZEMENT! TIGER MAN WILL BE WITH US IN A MOMENT!
BORR-- LOOK! MEN FROM THE SKY! THEY FLY LIKE BIRDS!
BUT THE CRAFTY BORR IS ALSO WILY AND RESOURCEFUL...
TIGER MAN AND YOU STRANGERS-- STAND BACK, OR I WILL KILL THE CHIEF!
THAT MUST NOT HAPPEN! OLD CHIEF WARRA IS THE FATHER OF HIS TRIBE!
HOLD IT, ROBIN!
NOW, UNLESS ONE OF YOU STRANGERS COMES WITH ME, AND SHOWS ME HOW TO FLY LIKE A BIRD, OLD WARRA DIES!
ALL RIGHT, I'LL GO! WE CAN'T LET ANYTHING HAPPEN TO THE OLD CHIEF!
NO, ROBIN-- WAIT!
BUT THE BOY WONDER HAS MOVED TOO SWIFTLY FOR BATMAN TO STOP HIM...
DON'T WORRY, BATMAN-- I'LL STALL THIS BIG LUG FOR AWHILE!
BORR IS TAKING HIM TO HIS GREAT CAVE... HE'LL HARM THE BOY, UNLESS HE TEACHES HIM TO FLY!
AND WE CAN'T FOLLOW HIM OPENLY, BECAUSE THAT WOULD ENDANGER ROBIN!
BUT WE CAN FOLLOW ALONG THE CLIFFTOP WITHOUT THEIR SEEING US!
THAT STILL DOES US NO GOOD, FOR THERE IS NO WAY OF GAINING ENTRANCE INTO BORR'S GUARDED CAVE!


AND, SURE ENOUGH, HIGH ABOVE THE CRIMINAL'S CAVE...
SEE?... WE CAN'T GET IN WITHOUT BORR'S GUARDS OBSERVING US! THEY'D GIVE THE ALARM!
HMM--THAT FIRE... HERE'S YOUR CHANCE TO USE YOUR NEW UTILITY-BELT, TIGER MAN! LISTEN...
NEXT MOMENT...
I DROPPED THE SMOKE-MAKING MINERAL INTO THEIR FIRE AS YOU TOLD ME, BATMAN!
AND THE SMOKE WILL KEEP THEM FROM SEEING US ENTER! TIE THIS CLOTH OVER YOUR FACE AND FOLLOW ME DOWN THE ROPE!
HIDDEN BY SWIRLING SMOKE, TWO STEALTHY FORMS ENTER THE GREAT CAVE...
SO!... BORR TOLD THE TRUTH! HE DOES HAVE A TYRANNOSAURUS--ONE FROZEN FOR AGES IN GLACIAL ICE!
YES, IT IS THE GREAT THREAT HE HOLDS OVER US! BUT THE SMOKE IS THINNING--THEY'LL SEE US UNLESS WE HIDE IN THE STACKS OF FIREWOOD!
TELL ME HOW TO FLY LIKE A BIRD!
WE'LL ENDANGER ROBIN IF WE CHARGE! THERE'S ONLY ONE CHANCE... HELP ME SET FIRE TO THESE BIG STACKS OF FIREWOOD!
SECONDS LATER...
LOOK, BORR! OUR STORE OF FIREWOOD BURNS--AND IT'S MELTING THE ICE AROUND THE GREAT BEAST!
SOMEONE SET IT AFIRE! QUICK, WE MUST FIND THEM!
BATMAN, YOU FREED ME--BUT BORR WILL CATCH US ALL NOW!
NOT IF WHAT I'M COUNTING ON HAPPENS--AND IT HAS! QUICK, DOWN BEHIND THOSE ROCKS!
THE FROZEN BEAST--IT LIVES!

IT'S THE VERY SCENE DEPICTED IN DR. SAYRE'S ROCK-PAINTING... BUT HOW DID IT HAPPEN?
HEAT HAS BEEN KNOWN IN THE PAST TO THAW BACK TO LIFE CREATURES LONG-FROZEN IN ICE! I WAS HOPING THIS WOULD HAPPEN!


AND SO, AS NIGHT FALLS...
THE CREATURE COULD NOT SURVIVE LONG IN THE CHANGED CLIMATE-- BUT IT CHASED BORR AND HIS RASCALS OUT OF YOUR VALLEY FOR GOOD!
THIS WHOLE STORY WILL BE RECORDED BY PAINTINGS ON THE ROCK!
... A TIGER SIGNAL I CONTRIVED FOR YOU, USING A TIGER-SKIN SET AGAINST THE VOLCANO'S GLOW! WITH IT, YOUR PEOPLE CAN CALL TIGER MAN AGAIN IF HE'S NEEDED!
AND LOOK, TIGER MAN-- IN CASE EVIL MUST BE FOUGHT AGAIN...
AND NOW, ROBIN, WE'D BETTER SWITCH IDENTITIES! WE'LL BE DRAWN BACK SOON TO OUR CENTURY!

AND BACK IN THE 20th CENTURY, BRUCE AND DICK SOON BRING AN ADDED ARCHAEOLOGICAL DISCOVERY TO LIGHT...
WHAT DR. SAYRE FOUND WAS ONLY ONE PAINTING! THIS OTHER WAS HIDDEN WHEN THE CAVE ROOF COLLAPSED!
SEE?... IT SHOWS THE TYRANNOSAURUS FROZEN IN ICE! THAT'S HOW IT SURVIVED!

WHICH PROVES, DR. SAYRE, THAT YOUR FIND IS COMPLETELY AUTHENTIC!
BUT WE'D NEVER HAVE KNOWN THERE WAS ANOTHER PAINTING IF WE HADN'T GONE BACK AND HEARD TIGER MAN SAY THE WHOLE STORY WOULD BE PAINTED!
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GOOD OLD TIGER MAN-- HE WAS PROBABLY THE WORLD'S FIRST LAWMAN! I'M GLAD WE HELPED HIM!
YES -- IT WAS MEN LIKE HIM WHO STARTED US ALL ON THE ROAD TO CIVILIZATION!
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